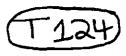
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- G: Henry, I think you ought to get those modern painting out of your office. That abstraction is too much evocative of your style.
- K: Not evocative of my style?
- G: No evocative of your style. I think you ought to put in some Beaunards (sp?) and move to the impressionists.
- K: You mean I may be tipping my hand. Well, I happen to like them.
- G: The next comment -- the meeting was, as usual, very skillfully conducted. I saw some of the mean later on the street, and they were duly appreciative.
- K: Well, I'm trying to _____ the SOB's.
- G: It's a dilemma that requires the workings of a wizard.
- K: Well, you know I may fail, but so far we've gotten more than the situation permits.
- G: I can sense that.
- K: I think the Israelis have suddenly begun to realize. So you don't like these paintings.
- G: I'm sick of modern art. It's symptomatic of the decline and fall of everything. You're a classical man with a classical style.
- K: Well, I happen to like tit.
- G: I understand. I won't complain in the future.